S. No.	Name of Station	Capacity Commissioning expected during 1990-91
17.	Ludhiana	5,000 Lines
18.	Jodhpur	2,000 „
19.	Pathankot	1,000 „
20.	Baroda	10,000 „
21.	Ahmedabad	7,000 „
22.	Srinagar (J&K)	5,000 „

Setting up of the above would cost the Government an amount to the tune of about Rs. 1800/- crores as detailed below:

Haryana	Rs. 20.27 crores.
Chandigarh (UT)	Rs. 30.00 "
Andhra Pradesh	Rs. 64.00 "
Rest of India	Rs. 1685.73 "

Memorandum submitted by the Assam Council for Environmental Protection

1279. DR. NAGEN SAIKIA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Assam Council for Environmental protection submitted a memorandum in connection with the Open Cast Mining to the Minister of State for Coal on 16.10.1988 at Margherita;

(b) if so, what are the main points that have been raised in the memorandum; and

(c) what is Government's reaction in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COAL IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI C K. JAFFARSHARIEF): (a) to (c) The Memorandum dated 16.10.1988 submitted by Assam Council for Environmental Production stresses cessation of open cast coal mining operations in Assam. Out of the total coal reserves of about 235.66 m.t. in Makum coalfields of Assam only a small portion can be mined through opencast methods. The remaining part has to be exploited by underground mining methods.

To meet the coal demand of the region coal mining is being done on a limited scale through combination of open cast and underground methods. To mitigate environmental impact of coal mining operations CIL is taking precautions through measures like plantation and reclamation of worked out areas. The coal company has also been advised to implement additional measures suggested by a Committee.

With the adoption of suitable mining technology the contribution of underground mining to coal production in Makum coalfield would increase and the contribution of opencast mining would come down.

Shifting the Office of the Director of Operations of Oil

1280. DR. NAGEN SAIKIA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the office of the Director of Operations of Oil India Limited is going to be shifted from Duliajan to New Delhi;

(b) whether the Headquarter of the Oil India Limited has already been shifted to Duliajan; if so, what are the reasons for shifting of the